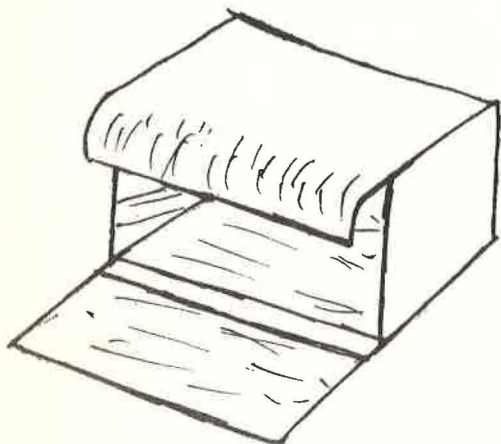


AN EASILY MADE BIRD FEEDER

by Merrill Wood



An ideal bird feeder may be made by placing an apple box (length 18 inches, depth 9 inches, and height $11\frac{1}{2}$ inches) on its side on top of a post (pipe with a diameter of 2 inches).

Cover box with roofing paper, leaving an over-hanging roof of five inches. Place a strip of wood (18 inches long and 1 inch high) across front of floor to prevent food from being blown out. Then add a porch-like

shelf in front (18 inches long and 10 inches wide).

If the entire feeder is painted black, except the inside of the box which should be painted white to reflect light, the feeder should function well in photographing birds while they are feeding at the station.

This feeder was tested at State College, Pa., and was found to be very satisfactory. The large front porch was found to be an important feature in making the feeder attractive to birds.

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TAKE YOUR TRAPS WITH YOU!

"Just before taking off, Saturday morning (for New Jersey), I pitched a sparrow trap and some bands into the car, thinking I might have a chance to do some banding. Stayed with our good friends, the Schaugencys, of Green Village. Thri yard teemed with birds, all waiting to be man-handled. During two relaxing days, I banded 70 birds of seven species, 43 Tree Sparrows predominating.